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SUBJECT: KRUGER HINTS ADDITIONAL DETAINEES MAY BE RELEASED

1. IN THE WAKE OF MINISTER OF JUSTICE KRUGER'S UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF EDITOR PERCY QOBOZA, PLUS NINE OTHER DETAINEES (MOSES CHIKANE, ELLEN KUZWAYO, VELA KRAAI, REV JUSTICE LEGOTLO, MORTIMEDI MALAKA, KENNETH MATIMA, REBECCA MUSI, T V SEHUME, BEAUTY PITYANA), HE HAS HINTED FURTHER RELEASES WILL BE CONSIDERED AT " REGULAR INTERVALS", DEPENDING ON " CIRCUMSTANCES"

HE SAID , " ... IF THINGS REMAIN QUIET OR EVEN BECOME BETTER, IT WOULD INCREASE THE POSSIBILITY OF THE RELEASE OF OTHERS".

2. KRUGER INDICATED QOBOZA WAS FREE TO RESUME HIS PROFESSION AS A JOURNALIST, SAYING " IT DEPENDS ON THE PEOPLE WHO EMPLOYED HIM"

(ARGUS NEWSPAPERS). HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION UNCLASSIFIED

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OF LIFTING THE BAN ON THE WORLD NEWSPAPER.

3. KRUGER ADDED A CAUTIONARY FOOTNOTE, HOWEVER, BY WARNING THAT NONE OF THOSE RELEASED YESTERDAY WAS IMMUNE FROM FUTURE ACTION, SAYING " THEY ARE QUITE AT LIBERTY TO DO WHAT THEY LIKE, BUT IF CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGE, THEY WILL BE RECONSIDERED AS FAR AS BANNING ORDERS ARE CONCERNED".

4. SECURITY POLICE RELEASED AN ADDITIONAL SIX PERSONS
DETAINED UNDER THE TERRORISM ACT YESTERDAY. THEY ARE:
LEONARD MDINGI, RUSSEL MPHANGA, HELIA PHUNGULA, DELASE CILIZA,
GLADYS MANZI, SHADRACK MAPHUMULO.
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